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In re Application of:

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For: CONNECTING PIECE FOR A TUBING

DECISION ON PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181

This is a decision in response to the submission denominated "Request for Consideration of References Previously Submitted" received on March 3, 2010. The paper is being treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181 to accept a late paper.

The petition is **DISMISSED** as moot.

Applicants assert that Information Disclosure Statements (IDSes) were timely filed May 26, 2005, July 14, 2005, March 24, 2006 and April 18, 2006.

A review of the file shows that the original IDSes have since been matched with the file. The original IDSes were timely filed before the issuance of the Notice of Allowance. Since the original of the IDSes in question are now in the file, there is no need to treat the petition on the merits and it is therefore dismissed as moot.

This application will be forwarded to the examiner for consideration of the IDSes.

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